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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby transmit copies of the documents listed in the attached Form PTO/SB/08, which may be deemed material to the examination of the above-identified application. The documents were cited in a related foreign patent application. A copy of the foreign office action is also attached.

As indicated, all cited documents are in English or include English abstracts and therefore, no statement of relevance is required. The foreign office action is in Korean. A translation can be provided at the Examiner's request, if necessary. Also, since the present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to issuance of a first Office Action on the merits, no certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b) is required.

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The Examiner is requested to consider the attached documents in connection with the above-identified application and to return a copy of Form PTO/SB/08 to the Applicants with the Examiner's initials in the spaces provided.

Submission of this Information Disclosure Statement does not constitute an admission by the Applicants as to the materiality of the attached documents to the application, nor do the Applicants waive any right to challenge the validity of the documents as prior art should such action be deemed appropriate.

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